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Subject: Changes to Marine Zones for WFO New York, NY (OKX): Effective
March 30, 2021

On or about Tuesday, March 30, 2021, at 09:00 AM Eastern Standard Time (EDT), 1400 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), the NWS Weather Forecast Office in New York, NY (OKX) will split marine zone ANZ330, the Long Island Sound East of New Haven, CT/Port Jefferson, NY, into two marine zones using a line from the mouth of the Connecticut River to Orient Point, NY.

If March 30, 2021 is declared a Critical Weather Day by the NWS, this implementation will be postponed to April 1, 2021.

These changes have been made in coordination with the United States Coast Guard and other partners and stakeholders. This modification to the marine zones will enhance safety and improve marine forecast and warning services provided to the marine community in the far eastern portion of Long Island Sound.

The current marine zone of will be converted into two separate zones.

Table 1: Universal Geographic Code (UGC): Current Marine Zone Forecast Name

ANZ330: Long Island Sound East of New Haven, CT/Port Jefferson, NY

Table 2: UGC: New Marine Zone Forecast Name

ANZ331: Long Island Sound East of New Haven, CT/Port Jefferson, NY to the Mouth of the Connecticut River

ANZ332: Long Island Sound East of the Mouth of the Connecticut River

Table 3: NWS Products Affected by these Marine Zone Changes

AWIPS ID	WMO Heading	Product Name
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CWFOKX	FZUS51 KOKX	Coastal Waters Forecast
MWWOKX	WHUS71 KOKX	Marine Weather Message
SMWOKX	WHUS51 KOKX	Special Marine Warning
MWSOKX	FZUS71 KOKX	Marine Weather Statement
AFDOKX	FXUS61 KOKX	Area Forecast Discussion
HWOOKX	FLUS41 KOKX	Hazardous Weather Outlook
WCNOKX	WWUS64 KOKX	Watch County Notification

NWS partners and users should take the appropriate action to ensure systems recognize the new UGC's (ANZ331 and ANZ332) and new zone alignments and names.

Updated marine zone shapefiles are online at:

<https://www.weather.gov/gis/MarineZones>

For a graphical depictions of these changes please refer to the link below:

<https://www.weather.gov/OKX/LISoundMarineZoneChanges>

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